

1143-1167 Elm Street (Commercial Buildings)
(Ferretti Building)
Manchester
Hillsborough County
New Hampshire

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PHOTOGRAPHS

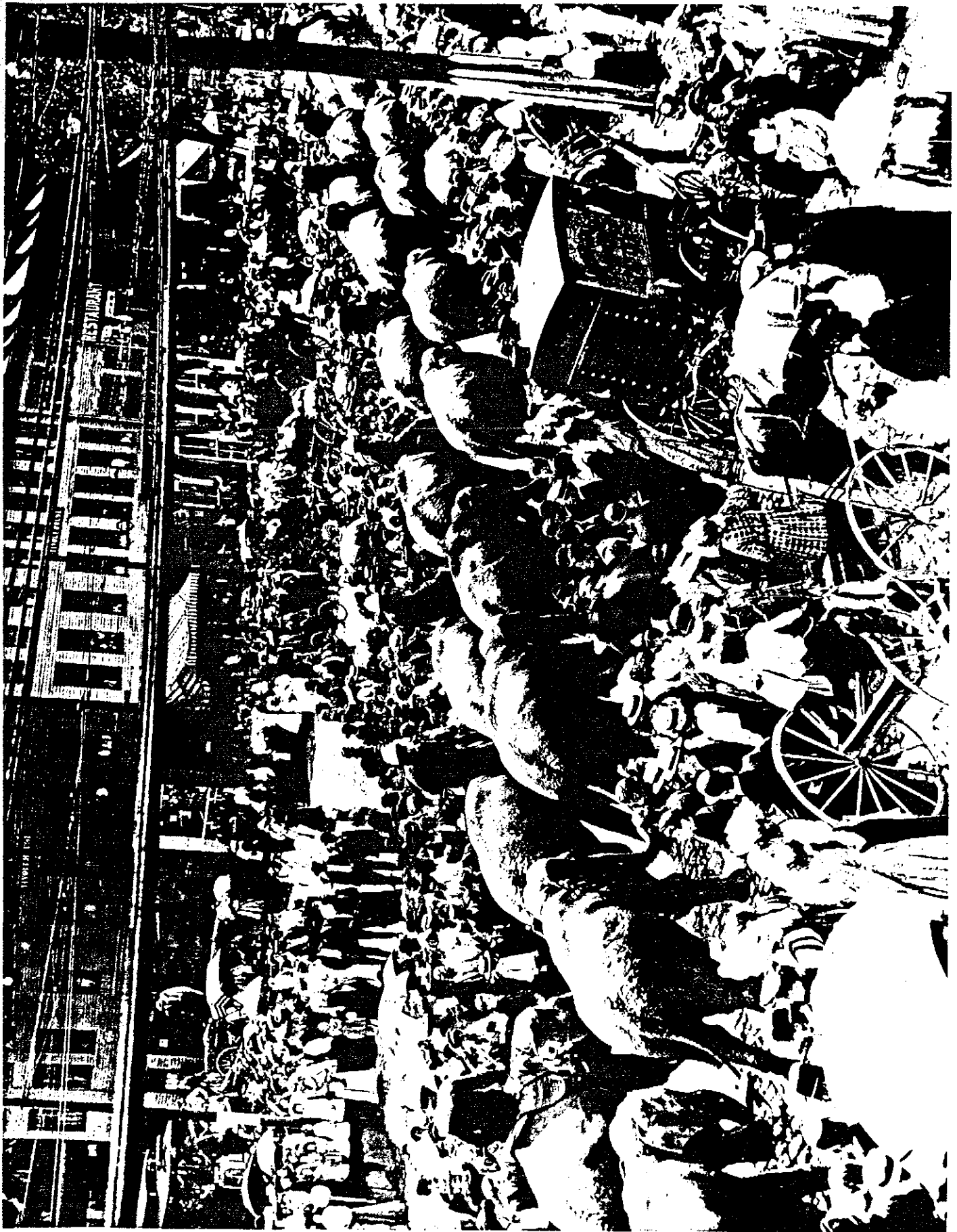
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE New Hampshire	COUNTY Hillsborough	TOWN OR VICINITY Manchester
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) 1143-1167 Elm Street (Commercial Buildings)		HABS NO. NH-199
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Ferretti Building		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 1143-1167 Elm Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) ca. 1845-1858 - [Amoskeag Lot Book and 1858 Map of Manchester]	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The several structures that comprised the Ferretti Building were constructed during the early development of Manchester on lots laid out by the Amoskeag Company. As originally designed, Ferretti contained 8 units of row housing, the first floors of which contained storefronts, while the upper floors served as lodging houses. Fragments of the original row house plan remained at the 2nd and 3rd stories until demolition in April 1985.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Wood (balloon-frame) construction with steel beams re-supporting the first storey from which bearing partitions had been removed. Rear addition of masonry bearing wall construction with wood interior framing.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) See attached sketch map.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE By time of demolition all original trimmings had been removed or covered by asphalt shingle; outline of original pitched roof visible on party wall at south end of property.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Sections of the second and third stories retain their original sidehall floor plans; original trimmings remain in several rooms; these consist of wooden mantelpieces and moulded window-cases & doorcases with corner blocks.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Storefronts at first storey (either original or introduced prior to 1876); wood-frame rear wings enlarged (ca. 1896-1915); two-storey brick addition extend from rear elevation to Church Street (ca. 1929-1940); fenestration altered by addition to picture window to west elevation (ca. 1930-1960) pitched roofs removed (ca. 1950-1970).		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Severely deteriorated with major settlement in areas where bearing partitions have been removed (#1151-1163 Elm Street); most recently used as a bakery, store-fronts and offices.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Historical documentation for the early construction of the property is scant since the buildings were constructed for private speculators who neither lived here nor maintained businesses on the premises. Historic photographs and views are scarce; the collections of the Manchester Historic Association and Manchester Public Library have been examined.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Manchester Historic Association: Photograph Collection, Maps & Atlases (1858, 1870, 1896, 1915/1929, 1954), Bird's Eye View of Manchester, N.H. (1876), Amoskeag Lot Book, Manchester City Directories (1848-present). Manchester Public Library: Scrapbooks, Building files (newspaper clippings), photographs.		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Brian Pfeiffer, Consultant	DATE July 1985	



Historic photograph of a circus parade (ca. 1909) facing southeast at the northwest corner of Elm and Bridge Streets, showing north and west elevations (in background) before alteration. Manchester Historic Association (call # 77.P180.12).

